

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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| Reporting Office LAS VEGAS | Office of Origin LAS VEGAS | Date 2/12/63 | Investigative Period 1/4/63 - 2/6/63 |
| TITLE OF CASE RIVIERA HOTEL LAS VEGAS, NEVADA; JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA; ALLEN M. DORFMAN; PAUL L. DORFMAN | | Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> | Typed By: jmc |
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REFERENCES:

Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/20/62 at Las Vegas
 Los Angeles airtel to Las Vegas dated 12/19/62. (Interoffice)
 Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/19/62 at Omaha.
 San Francisco airtel to Las Vegas dated 12/26/62.
 Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/31/62 at San Francisco.
 Chicago letter to Director dated 12/31/62.
 Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/31/62 at Detroit.
 Las Vegas letter to Chicago dated 1/18/63. (Interoffice)
 Las Vegas letter to Los Angeles dated 1/18/63. (Interoffice)
 Minneapolis letter to Director dated 1/14/63.
 Miami letter to Las Vegas dated 1/21/63. (Interoffice)
 Report of SA ROY W. REGER dated 1/25/63 at Phoenix.

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ENCLOSURES: TO BUREAU (2)

Enclosed to Bureau are two copies of letterhead memorandum characterizing informants utilized in instant report,

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| Approved: DWE/BT | Special Agent In Charge | Do not write in spaces below |
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LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

1. Will interview HARVEY SILBERT concerning the probate of GUS GREENBAUM's will. Will specifically question him concerning the sale of the stock to EDWARD LEVINSON and the repayment of the \$120,000.00 promissory note used to purchase this stock. Refer to the report of SA ROY W. REGER dated 1/25/63 at Phoenix.

*2. Will ascertain the subscriber of the phone numbers where SIDNEY KORSHAK was contacted in the Los Angeles area.

*3. Will attempt to ascertain where KORSHAK usually resides while in the Los Angeles, California, area.

*4. Will check background of any individuals known to associate with KORSHAK in the Los Angeles, California, area. Will attempt to ascertain if KORSHAK is connected in any way with JAMES HOFFA or the Teamsters Union in the Los Angeles, California area.

*5. Will ascertain the subscriber to the telephone number [] where [] was contacted on 11/18/60.

*6. Will review files for all information of value concerning SID KORSHAK, [] and all other individuals listed in the Department's memorandum.

*7. Will review their files on HARVEY SILBERT and attempt to ascertain whether he has had any direct association with the DORFMANS of Chicago or JAMES R. HOFFA or the Teamsters Union, or whether he represents any of these individuals as clients. It will be noted by the Los Angeles Office that SILBERT is considered to be the person who "put together" the Riviera Hotel operation in Las Vegas and is seen in Las Vegas frequently conducting Riviera Hotel business.

*8. Will interview DAVE GENSBURG, MEYER GENSBURG, ARTHUR MARX, GUMMO MARX, JACK GOLDMAN, HARRY ROBBIN, concerning any information they may have to the present financing of the Hotel Riviera, Inc., and how their interests in the Riviera Hotel Company were dissolved and satisfied by the Hotel Riviera, Inc.

It was at this time that HARVEY SILBERT put together a deal with persons who used to operate the Flamingo Hotel, namely the ATOLS, GOFFSTEIN and others who were to lease the Riviera for a rental of \$104,166.00 per month.

With THOMAS' help, SILBERT worked it out so that the difference between the original rent of \$72,396.00 and \$104,166.00 or an amount of \$31,770.00 per month would be disbursed by THOMAS and the Bank of Las Vegas, first to the creditors of the Riviera Hotel Corporation and then to the stockholders when they were paid in full.

At this time, as mentioned previously, all creditors have been paid in full, and notes that were given by the corporation to original stockholders are in the process of being paid now per the disbursing agreement. Over the recent past the notes held at that bank for the original investors have been sold, resold and transferred in such a way and to varied individuals that he would have no way of knowing without a complete recapitulation of his records the complete history of each note. Many individuals now own the notes, some the original investors, and others never connected with the Riviera Hotel as such.

The disbursements to creditors and old stockholders in the Riviera Hotel, Inc., were made by the Bank of Las Vegas in accordance with directives issued by HARVEY SILBERT, a Los Angeles attorney, who put the deal together whereby creditors of the defunct corporation and the stockholders would eventually be paid in full.

THOMAS claimed to be very familiar with the early arrangements and various interests obtained during the beginning days of the Riviera since the Bank of Las Vegas was heavily committed on a loan and that he had been sent to Las Vegas by the Continental Bank in Salt Lake City, Utah, in an effort to salvage some of the loan.

The records of the Nevada Gaming Commission were reviewed at Las Vegas, Nevada, in order to determine the original investors in the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. The records contained a copy of a letter, dated March 3, 1955, from [redacted] Supervisor, Gambling License Division, Nevada Tax Commission, and addressed to the following: Riviera Hotel, DAVID GENSBURG, MYER GENSBURG, R. H. BAILEY, ARTHUR MARX, GUMMO MARX, JACK GOLDMAN, HARRY ROBBIN, MURRAY SAUL, care of HARVEY L. SILBERT, Attorney at Law, 6399 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles 48, California.

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MORRY A. MASON

Build
Complexion
Date of Birth

Medium
Light
January 1, 1909 at Newport,
Kentucky

Address

758 University Drive
Coral Gables, Florida

Previous Address

2875 North LeJeune Road,
Miami, Florida

FBI Number

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ARTHUR "HARPO" MARX

Financial Interests:

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|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|--------------|
| June 30, 1953 | - | Net Worth | - | \$485,013.49 |
| | | in property | | |
| | | and cash | | |
| August 3, 1953 | - | 15% of Casa Blanca Hotel Co. | | |
| | | for \$225,000.00 | | |
| February 10, 1954 | - | 125 shares of Common Stock and | | |
| | | 27½ shares of Preferred Stock in | | |
| | | the Riviera Hotel. | | |

Common Stock
(Profit sharing stock) - 125 (15%)
(Par value \$100.00
per share)

Preferred Stock
(Par value \$1,000.00 - 27½ (5%)
per share)

Debentures
(Par value \$1,000.00) - 15 (2.5%)

Total cash investment - \$55,000.00

Description:

Address (1953)

701 North Canon Drive
Beverly Hills, California

Race

White

Sex

Male

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| Height | 5'7" |
| Weight | 145 |
| Eyes | Brown |
| Hair | Brown |
| Build | Medium |
| Complexion | Fair |
| Date of Birth | November 23, 1888 at New York City |

Actor with Marx Brothers for 35 years.

GUMMO MARX

Financial Interests:

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|-------------------|---|
| June 30, 1953 | - Net Worth - \$355,292.54 in property and cash |
| August 3, 1953 | - 10% interest for \$150,000.00 in Casa Blanca Hotel Co. |
| February 10, 1954 | - 75 shares of Common Stock and 16½ shares of Preferred Stock in Riviera Hotel. |

Common Stock
(Profit sharing stock) - 75 (3%)
(Par value \$100.00
per share)

Preferred Stock
(Par value \$1,000.00 - 16½ (3%)
per share)

Debentures
(Par value \$1,000.00) - 12 (2.00%)

Total cash investment - \$36,000.00

Description:

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| Race | White |
| Sex | Male |
| Height | 5'10" |
| Weight | 170 |